

COST OF SHOES DUE FOR JUMP OWING TO WAR

New England Dealers Are Now
Unable to Reach Many of
Markets Abroad

(Boston American.)

"Everything entering into the cost of the shoe has gone up," Thomas F. Anderson, secretary of the New England Shoe and Leather Association said yesterday. "Leather, lining, shoe counters, eyelets, buttons, laces, labor cost and even the pasteboard cartons in which the shoes are packed have risen in price."

"All this is due to abnormal conditions resulting from the war. We are cut off from markets in Europe, and Asia upon which we depend. As a consequence, shoes will advance from fifty cents to a dollar this fall."

In connection with conditions outlined in Mr. Anderson's statement, from 15 to 20 Boston and vicinity tanners, manufacturers and wholesale and retail shoe dealers, including probably President Harry I. Thayer of the New England Shoe and Leather Association and John S. Kent of Brockton, president of the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' Association will attend a conference called by the National Shoe Retailers' Association in Philadelphia to discuss means of preventing wastage in manufacturing in connection with the threatened leather famine.

In Spite of the Advance in Leather Walkover Shoes

remain at
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The same First Class Workmanship
and the Most Up-To-Date Styles

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BUNDY & AMEY

45 Main Street

St. Johnsbury, Vt.



WOUNDED AT FRENCH FRONT

Norman H. Gibbon, a St. Johnsbury
Boy, in Hospital at Camiers—Ex-
tent of Injuries are Not Known
Here

ENLISTED IN CANADA

Was Young Man of Adventurous Na-
ture and Possessed With Desire to
See World—Left Home of Mother
at 49 Caledonia Street, for
Northwest Six Years Ago.

Word has been received from the
battle front in France of the wound-
ing of Norman H. Gibbons, son of
Norman H. Gibbons, of 49 Caledonia
street.

Mr. Gibbons is a St. Johnsbury boy,
having lived in town from boyhood to
about six years ago, when he went to
the Canadian northwest, locating in
the city of Edmonton, Province of Al-
berta, where he enlisted January 4,
1915, with the 49th Battalion of the
Canadian contingent.

A telegram was received last week
by Mrs. Gibbons from the war office
at Ottawa to the effect that Private
Norman H. Gibbons was wounded in
the trenches at the front in France and
was in general hospital No. 4, Camiers,
France. Efforts to reach the hospi-
tal by cable have been futile so the
seriousness of his wounds are not
known.

The story as told a Caledonian re-
porter by his mother, shows that Mr.
Gibbons was a young man always look-
ing for adventure and having a desire
to see the world for himself, after
reading the books, "Black Rock" and
"The Sky Pilot," by Dr. Gordon, or
Ralph Connors as known by his book
name, he was very anxious to see the
great northwest of Canada of which
he had heard and read so much about.

With his brother as a companion he
left St. Johnsbury, sometimes rough-
ing and sometimes not. He worked
in the harvest fields of Manitoba and
Saskatchewan, roughed it in the great
logging camps of British Columbia,
railroaded on the Grand Trunk Pacific
in construction work through the
famous Yellow Head pass and finally
arrived at the northwest coast where
he had an interest in a large general mer-
chandise business in Edmonton, a city
of 71,000. Soon after the declaration of
war he, with three other young men,
was chosen by the Northwestern
Mounted police to watch a colony of
German agents who were plotting to
take control of the northwest of Canada.
This colony of foreigners were very pros-
perous and had fine farms along the
Grand Trunk Pacific.

They acted as guards over two mas-
sive bridges, 1,100 and 650 feet re-
spectively, in length, two grain eleva-
tors, wheat, and a saw mill, and a
power plant, and five miles of trail. On
January 4, 1915, he returned to Ed-
monton and enlisted in the 49th bat-
talion and was started for the front
the last week in May, arriving in
Shorne Cliff, County Kent, after a
three weeks' trip. October 9 his com-
pany was ordered to the front at
France, where Mr. Gibbons was placed
on duty with the engineers of the
Canadian contingent doing duty at
Ypres but escaping injury.

The only mention made of his life
at the front in his letters home was
that he was with the engineers, and
down and will never give in until Ger-
many is beaten to her knees," and
again he said, "The Germans are shel-
ling us all the time now, and they (the
Germans) come over once in a while
but they never get in." He said he
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TAFT AT LYNDONVILLE

Addressed Graduating Classes of Lynd-
on Institute and Vail Agricul-
tural School

Lyndonville, June 18.—Very few
Vermont towns are favored with a
large array of talent than was pre-
sent at the commencement exercises of
Lyndon Institute and Vail Agricul-
tural school held in Music hall this eve-
ning when addresses were made by
Theodore N. Vail, James Wilson,
former secretary of agriculture, and
ex-President W. H. Taft. Every
available seat in the large auditorium
was occupied and hundreds more
would have been glad to secure ad-
mission. An inspiring sight was the
line of 78 boys and girls marching
into the hall, the line extending from
the street clear to the stage where
they were seated.

The exercises by the graduates
were original and very interesting,
two of the boys giving practical dem-
onstrations on the stage. The essays
by the young ladies were not pre-
pared to deal with actual conditions
in a most interesting way.

Mr. Vail's Address
The address to the students by Mr.
Vail before the presentation of the
diplomas was one of his straight,
practical talks, giving a clear presen-
tation of the principles to follow in
the attainment of happiness and suc-
cess. He urged each one to make the
most of the endowments with which
he had been blessed and that would
be nearly approach equality.

Among the things he told them were
that young people should not look
upon things they do not or cannot
have as necessary to happiness, that
right living and honest endeavor are
all that is necessary to enjoyment of
life. He continued: "The greatest
satisfaction is to be found in accom-
plishing rather than in things accom-
plished. Each young person should
thoroughly prepare themselves for
whatever they want to do. Thorough
preparation prevents disaster in civil
as well as military life. Discipline so
one can control himself is one of the
most necessary things in preparation." He
said success consists in doing the
right thing at the right time and in
the right way.

Ex-Pres. Taft's Speech.

Ex-Pres. Taft spoke for nearly an
hour in an interesting way and held
the close attention of his audience.
One could not help but receive the
impression that the ex-president is
happy in his private life and in his
freedom from politics so he could
speak his full and honest convictions.
He spoke upon the "Duties of Citizen-
ship," "The People's Rule."

He first spoke of the rapid shifting
of population from the country to the
cities and said it was deplorable be-
cause the cities were increasing in
population faster than they could
comfortably care for their needs.
and the country was being deprived
of many of the strong men and wom-
en it really needs. A school like the
one here was, he believed, the best
solution because it was opening the
opportunity for an honorable, useful
and successful career in the country
and in that way holding the young
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Such a condition calls for criticism
and I am glad I am in a position
where I can criticize. This is true of
the rich as well as labor and it has
been necessary to pass laws regulat-
ing interstate commerce, the forma-
tion and conduct of trusts and other
regulative acts, but the trusts and the
rich are not exempt from observance
of the law because they do not ap-
prove of it.

"The duty of the electorate is to do
justice in the enactment of laws and
to enact laws that can be enforced.
Past unjust laws and you will have
disaster and revolution and revolution
destroys the usefulness of all govern-
ments. An elector is a trustee of the
people, a man does not cast a ballot
as his own but the ballot belongs to
the people and he simply acts as the
people's trustee. Popular govern-
ment can be enjoyed only by people
fitted for self-government. In Mex-
ico 80 per cent of the voters can not
read or write. They have no right
to vote on the initiative or referend-
um and recall. We are entitled to
the privileges of citizenship because
we are further advanced in civiliza-
tion."

He then paid a very high tribute
to the constitution of the United
States and the restraint it places up-
on the people from doing injustice in
times of excitement and rabid feeling.
Our judiciary insures justice and is a
reformation of that preposterous nos-
trum of the recall of judicial decisions.

Ex-Secretary Wilson.
Ex-Secretary of Agriculture James
Wilson spoke very briefly of what the
government had been and was doing
for the farmers of the country, and
said that the north as well as the
south needed the aid of the govern-
ment in organization and development
of organized agriculture.

Mr. Wilson spoke of the organiza-
tion of clubs in the different states
and also said that in Ohio and Iowa
the denominational colleges had con-
sented to their students taking a three
years' course and then going to the
state agricultural college and taking
two years more when they were grad-
uated as practical and scientific agricul-
turalists.

Following was the program: Invo-
cation, Rev. R. H. Moore; address of
welcome, Lyman G. Morrill; "Advan-
tages of Rural Schools," Rita L. Bole;
"The Preparation of Bordeaux Mix-
ture," Leslie N. Clark; "Vermont
Names," Grace P. Gould; music (a)
"Water-Lilies," Karl Linders, (b)
"Off in the Silly Night," Max Vor-
schick, Girls' Glee club; "The Pres-
ent of Potatoes for Scotch," Hugh M.
Kirkland; "Some Principles of Dress,"
Blanche E. Stevens; address to grad-
uating class, Loren P. Elliott; pre-
sentation of diplomas, Hon. T. N. Vail;
benediction, Rev. R. H. Moore.

The Graduates

Following were the graduates:
Post-graduate—Albert Gerry Blod-
gett.
Classical Course—Dumont W. Bail-
ley, Loren P. Elliott, Grace P. Gould,
Hilda M. Hoffman, Earl R. LaBay,
Hugh E. McNealand, Marion E. Moo-
ne, and Bernice A. Trefoil.

Institute Course—Raymond C. Hall,
Edna M. Hastings, Edith E. Lee, Har-
ley A. Leland, Franklin A. Lynch,
Malcolm K. Macdonald, Fred W. Mc-
Farlin, Alexander D. McLane, Hazel
E. Reynolds, Gladys M. Van Dyke and
Martha P. Wm.

Commercial Course—Harold E.
Cowing, Julia A. Dees, Agnes E. Gil-
mour, Bertha M. Gilmour, Maude
Gray, Sadie L. Lunge, Edmund C. Mc-
Nally, Rupert Menut, Gertrude E.
Nickerson, Erma A. Pierce, Elizabeth
F. Shillito, Myrtle M. Sullivan and
Bernice A. Trefoil.

Teacher Training Course—Flora A.
Barber, Edith E. Bell, Mildred E. Bis-
bee, Rita L. Bole, Editha S. Drew,
Alice S. Ham, Helen Ham, Allis M.
Harvey, Della M. Heath, Charlotte S.
McFarlin and Ruth A. Robinson.
Home Economics Course—Ruth E.
Burpee, Helen R. Colvin, Grace P.
Dow, Hazel I. Hunter, Ina C. Richard-
son, Blanche E. Stevens.

The class officers are: President,
Harley A. Leland; vice-president, Hazel
E. Reynolds; secretary and treas-
urer, Marion E. Mooney.

Agricultural Graduates

Graduates of Vail Agricultural
School—Palmer H. Ayer, Clayton A.
Brown, Foster Butterfield, Leon A.
Buxton, Ronald Campbell, Harold A.
Carleton, Francis X. Carrigan, Ned H.
Carter, Leslie N. Clark, Morrill P.
Curtis, Ralph E. Drury, Tas J. Egles-
ton, Arthur F. Emerson, Wendell I.
Goodrich, Hugh M. Kirkland, Joseph
J. Klaus, Jr., Donald Leach, Glen
Lougee, Jesse F. Marble, Lyman G.
Morrill, Karl Morrison, Arthur E.
Read, Verne H. Sparks, Elwyn J.
Spaulding, Howard Varney, Jr., James
Watson, Sever D. Wright.

The class officers are: President,
Lyman G. Morrill; vice-president,
Hugh M. Kirkland; secretary, Arthur
F. Emerson; treasurer, Leslie N. Clark.

STRANGERS HALF CENTURY.

Vermont Brothers Were Reunited in

Chicago. June 14.—A gap of half
a century and half a continent closed
yesterday when two natives of Ver-
mont clasped hands in Chicago and
looked eager into each other's eyes.
They were Henry Babcock and Charles
P. Babcock, brothers, who for 50
years had been as ignorant of each
other's whereabouts as if they lived
on separate spheres.

The Babcock boys lived in Burling-
ton, Vt., when the war closed. Their
father had been killed in battle. Their
mother died the year after. Then
they separated. Henry, 12 years old,
stayed in the state, Charley, two
years younger, went west. For al-
most 30 years not a word did they
hear from each other. Then after the
world's fair of 1893, Henry heard
from a friend who had been in Chi-
cago that Charley was working in the
west.

Cattle Department Expenses.

Twelve thousand dollars, received
from the sale of cattle condemned
because of bovine tuberculosis, has
been expended by Cattle Commission-
er Fred L. Davis, in addition to the
biennial appropriation of \$80,000 for
this department, in the past two years
for stamping out tuberculosis and
combating the ravages of the foot and
mouth disease.

Commissioner Davis is paying the
20 or more veterinarians whom he
has employed the past three months
and his expenditures will practically
use up the \$92,000 which has been
available. The appropriation for the
next fiscal year became available
June 1.

But five or six per cent of the cattle
tested during the biennial period were
found infected. The condemned cat-
tle were sold for the most part to the
Burlington Rendering Company.
A large item in the expenditures of
the commissioner's department was
the payment to owners for cattle kil-
led. As foot and mouth disease em-
bargo has been lifted throughout the
country Commissioner Davis' labors
will be somewhat lessened the com-
ing year.

H. H. ROSS GRAND MASTER.

Elected Head of Grand Lodge of Ver-
mont Masons—Fred Dolfio Dis-
trict Deputy.

Burlington, June 18.—At the 123d
session of the Grand Lodge of Ver-
mont Masons yesterday Henry H.
Ross of Burlington, for more than 12
years secretary of the grand lodge,
was elected grand master to succeed
Charles H. Darling. His brother,
Frank A. Ross, was elected grand
secretary. H. J. Stannard of Barton,
who was in line for the election of
grand master, declined the honor.

Other officers elected include David
A. Elliott of White River Junction,
deputy grand master; E. O. Wells of
Lyndonville, grand senior deacon; A. S.
Harriman of Middlebury, grand
junior deacon; C. W. Whitcomb of
Proctorville, grand treasurer; Frank
Mosher of Island Pond, grand senior
deacon; Frank Davis of Chester,
grand junior deacon.

Mr. Ross made the following ap-
pointments: Grand lecturer, E. Ber-
ton Jones of Island Pond; chaplain,
Rev. Alfred J. House of White River
Junction; assistant chaplain, W. J.
Ballou of Ludlow; grand marshal, J.
E. Piddock of Saxtons River; sword
bearer, Albert Killam of Burlington;
junior steward, O. S. Sims of Burling-
ton; pursuivant, Fred H. Ranney of
North Bennington; Tyler, Henry D.
Pillmore of Bennington.

The following district deputies
were named:

Edward M. Peck of Windsor, Ar-
thur B. Marsden of Manchester Cen-
ter; Otis S. Wisell of Orwell, John I.
Leggett of Poulney, H. B. Small of
Burlington, Fred E. Gleason of Mont-
pelier, Edwin Greene of Richford,
C. A. Waite of South Londonderry, Fred
F. Perry of Williamstown, Arthur
Harlow of Irasburg, Fred H. Scholte
of St. Johnsbury, Winfield S. Sullow-
ay of Wolcott.

Past Grand Master D. N. Nicholson
of Burlington presented to retiring
Grand Master Charles H. Darling in
behalf of the Grand Lodge the past
grand master's jewel, and the latter
replied to the presentation address
with a brief and appropriate speech.
Past Grand Master Nicholson said
that "if Masonry teaches anything it
teaches preparedness. One of the
first and most important lessons a
Mason is taught is that he shall be
prepared to support himself and fam-
ily and to contribute to the relief of
the poor." The rest of the address
told the history of the building of the
temple.

The setting grand master installed
Grand Master-elect Ross in office and
the latter then installed the rest of the
officers. Mr. Darling was given the
usual past grand master's apron.
The maintenance tax, levied for the
support of the Grand Lodge, will not
be increased for 12 months.

The Order of High Priesthood, con-
sisting of the high priests and past
high priests of the various Chapters
of Royal Arch Masons throughout
Vermont, elected its officers and ap-
pointed its candidates Wednesday
night. The officers of recording and
secretary, filled by George F. Root of
Newport, and of chaplain, held by
the Rev. Charles F. Partridge of
Woodstock, remained unchanged.

The other officers elected were: Don
A. Stone of Burlington, president; J.
Ross Roberts of Manchester, vice-
president; Christie B. Crowell of
Brattleboro, master of ceremonies;
George N. Tilden of Barre, conductor;
G. I. Whitney of Bellows Falls, her-
ald; J. F. Benedict of Burlington,
steward; Arthur G. Eaton of Mont-
pelier, sentinel. The following 12
new high priests were appointed:
Charles A. Davis of Burlington, I. G.
Denney, A. G. Eaton, D. W. Edson,
and R. F. Fitzgerald of Montpelier,
W. Howard of Brandon, M. B. White
of Morrisville, C. A. Roberts of Rut-
land, A. L. Petter of Brattleboro, A.
H. Furbush of Woodstock, Gordon
Watson of Barre and C. A. Wheeler
of White River Junction.

The order voted to hold a banquet
at the annual meeting next year. The
total membership is now about 250.

WATERFORD.

(Mrs. A. M. Sunbury, Correspondent.)
Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Priest were
week-end guests of his mother, Mrs.
Jesse Carleton, in Sutton.

Miss Carrie Streeter is visiting rela-
tives in Boston.
Mrs. Chase and two daughters,
Grace and Mollie of St. Johnsbury are
at her home here.

J. B. Wallace of East Concord was a
recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. A.
Caswell.

Jacob Richardson, Sr., of Concord
week-end guest of his mother, Mrs.
Mrs. C. A. Caswell.

Mrs. E. M. Carpenter and three
children were week-end guests of her
sister, Mrs. Ed. Jones in Vt. City.

School closes this week, Friday.
B. C. Johnson and wife of St.
Johnsbury were in town Friday eve-
ning to attend the card party.

Mrs. F. O. Parker was called to
Lower Waterford last week by the
serious illness of her mother, who is
very low.

HARDWICK.

Thursday night at the gymnasium
occurred the social event of com-
mencement week, the alumni ball.
The dance was largely attended and
was a jolly occasion. The hall was
decorated with crepe papers in the
class colors, the lights were colored,
and H. A. banners were in evidence
around the hall. The white curtains
at windows were liberally covered
with large yellow letters, H. A.

Best Cigar Values

in town is the basis upon which we have built our
business. That is why it has grown so big.

Brown's Cigar Store

49 MAIN ST.

PLAY GROUNDS OPEN

About 50 Expectant Youngsters On
Hand Monday Morning—Under
Competent Supervision.

St. Johnsbury has a play ground
where children can play under super-
vision for two hours every morning
during the months of June, July and
August. The grounds were opened
Monday morning at 9 o'clock. The mem-
ber of the committee are: Miss
Alice Wilcox, chairman; Mrs. F. H.
Brooks, Mrs. Rebecca Fairbanks, Mrs.
F. E. Potts, Mrs. L. P. Slack, Mrs. J.
H. A. Bousfield, Mrs. Z. S. Waterman,
Mrs. Carrie T. Hinsman, Miss Ellie
Higgins, Mrs. C. L. Eaton and Mrs.
J. E. Thayer.

Some members of this committee
will be on the grounds daily between
9 and 11 o'clock in the morning and
with helpers will oversee the play of
all children who wish to come and
play. It is designed to entertain chil-
dren up to 12 and 13 years of age and
the central location of the grounds
Street school grounds will enable chil-
dren from all parts of the town to be
present.

Superintendent Young and the
board of school commissioners have co-
operated with the ladies in getting
the grounds ready and the boys in the
manual training department will as-
sist in making some apparatus for
play that the ladies cannot afford to
buy. The school authorities will also
furnish teeter boards.

The committee also has able as-
sistants outside of the officials. Two
boy scouts are on duty in relays each
day to oversee the boys' games, and
the Misses Wilde, Bingham, Eckloff,
Adams, Bundy, Ross, Cramton, Balch
and Anderson will assist in directing
the games for girls.

Croquet grounds will be equipped
and the older girls will have basket
ball teams and the older boys have
field sports as soon as these can be
organized. Story telling will be in-
troduced later and the ladies who will
recite the stories are, Mrs. John Puf-
fer, Mrs. Ralph Howes, Miss Alice
Warden and others.

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